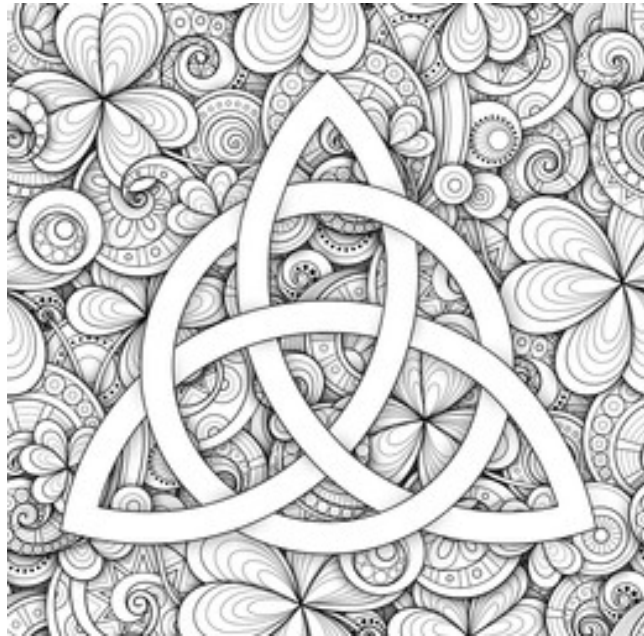


The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

The Sixteenth Sunday *after Pentecost*

11:00 am
Holy Eucharist, Rite II



WIDE OPEN DOORS
WIDE OPEN HEARTS

September 25, 2022

What's Happening This Week:

Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, September 25 Sergius <i>Abbot of Holy Trinity, Moscow, 1932</i>	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - 16 th Sunday after Pentecost	Church
	12:00 pm	Refreshments	Parish House
	12:30 pm	Choristers Rehearsal	Church
		Connections	1 st floor Parish House
		Children/Youth Activities	2 nd floor Parish House
4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.	
Monday, September 26 Lancelot Andrewes <i>Bishop of Winchester, 1626</i>	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer.	
	8:00 pm	COVID Team Meeting	online
Tuesday, September 27 John Coleridge Patteson <i>Bishop of Melanesia, and his Companions, Martyrs, 1871</i>	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.
Wednesday, September 28	10:00 am	Staff Meeting	Parish House
	11:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	6:00 pm	Choral Evensong	Church
Thursday, September 29 St. Michael & All Angels	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	12:00 pm	Clergy/Wardens' Weekly Meeting	online
Friday, September 30 Jerome <i>Priest, and Monk of Bethlehem, 420</i>			
Sunday, October 2	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - 17 th Sunday after Pentecost	Church
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	12:30 pm	Choristers Rehearsal	Church
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Welcome! We are so glad you are with us today!

A few reminders and information for your time with us today

Masks: Masks are optional, though strongly encouraged at this time. If you need a mask, please let us know and we will be happy to get one for you.

Children are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags (you can even decorate your own) in the back near the service bulletins for those who wish to stay with their families during the service. Parents, if you want a little quiet time to yourself, your children can join Madison and Laura, our wonderful Child Care Team, in the Parish House for activities. They will meet you in the Narthex and show you where to go. All children will return to the church for communion during the Peace.

During **The Peace**, we invite you to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Please be sure your neighbor is comfortable with physical contact before shaking hands.

Offering: You can give a financial gift to the church in three ways: by placing it in the plate that we pass in church today, by texting **CHT DONATE to 73256** or the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give weekly with REALM (www.htrit.org/give).



Communion will be given in the form of bread only today. If you wish to receive communion, we invite you to go to one of two stations at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. We will bring communion to those who are not able to come to a standing station or would prefer to stay in their pew and keep social distance. We give the chalice to one person (or family unit) each week – sign up here, if you'd like to receive the chalice: [click here, or check on our website.](#)

More Information? Please visit our website www.htrit.org for more information about services and activities at The Church of the Holy Trinity and to sign up for the weekly E-News. If you prefer a printed version, please fill out a slip in the Narthex.

Special Text Boxes

Throughout the service leaflet, you will notice special text boxes like these. They are intended to give a brief explanation or teaching about each part of the liturgy – a little sprinkling of theology, history, fun facts, and education. We hope they will give you new insight into all that we do each week, and share with you the beauty and richness of our liturgical practices in the Episcopal Church.

We ask that you **turn off or silence your Cell Phone** during the service. Thank you!

THE ENTRANCE RITE

"Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and go into his courts with praise: be thankful to him, and bless his name." Psalm 100

The service begins in gathering rituals. Led by the cross of Christ, the procession of choir and clergy represents the church gathering together from across the city into a great assembly. As the primary symbol of our faith, it is customary to reverence the Cross (*a slight bow*) as it passes in procession.

Following the Opening Acclamation, the Collect for Purity is a preparatory prayer for the whole assembly, simultaneously recognizing God's power to transform and forgive us, and reminding us of our purpose for gathering: to worship God. Originally a 10th century Latin prayer, it was translated into English in 1549 by Thomas Cranmer for the first *Book of Common Prayer* (our book of worship). This prayer continues to be included in almost every Anglican prayer book worldwide.

Entrance Hymn 423

St. Denio

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

Collect for Purity

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria S-279

"Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth." Luke 2:14

The *Gloria* originated sometime before 300AD in the Eastern Church. It is known as the "Angelic Hymn" because its opening line was sung by the angels at Christ's birth. While the rest of the text is from an unknown author, by the 6th century it had become the established Hymn of Praise sung at Eucharistic celebrations throughout Western Christianity.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, -
 - and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King,
 al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the

Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a -
lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

THE WORD OF GOD

The pattern of hearing a story from scripture followed by a psalm or hymn is based on the ancient Jewish order of worship. The early Christians retained this liturgical pattern; first reading a story from the Torah (Old Testament/ Hebrew Scriptures) followed by a Psalm (the original hymnal of the Jewish people). In time, these readings expanded to include letters written by the apostles (Epistle), and what is known as the Gospel, which includes stories of Jesus' life, miracles, sayings, death, resurrection, and ascension. These were paired with new Christological hymns and songs.

Reader A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 *Qui habitat*

- ¹ He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- ² He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."
- ³ He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter *
and from the deadly pestilence.
- ⁴ He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; *
his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.
- ⁵ You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, *
nor of the arrow that flies by day;
- ⁶ Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, *
nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.
- ¹⁴ Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- ¹⁵ He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- ¹⁶ With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

Epistle: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Sally Griffith

Reader A reading from the first letter to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time— he who is the

blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion.
Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able.

The *Sequence Hymn* dates from the medieval era when long chants on the word 'Alleluia' would accompany elaborate Gospel processions. Today, we maintain the liturgical custom of singing a hymn as the cross, Gospel Book, and Presider process to the center of the nave to proclaim the words and stories of Jesus in the midst of the people. This is the pinnacle moment of the Liturgy of the Word, reminding us that Christ - God's word made flesh - came from heaven to live among us and proclaim God's word to all humanity. In some churches, the deacon proclaims the Gospel. The practice by some of making a small threefold cross over their forehead, mouth, and heart at the words "Glory to you, Lord Christ" is a devotional gesture symbolizing the desire for the Gospel to be understood with the mind, confessed on the lips, and believed in the heart.



1 I'll praise my Mak - er while I've breath; and when my voice is lost in
 2 How hap - py they whose hopes re - ly on Is - rael's God, who made the
 3 The Lord pours eye - sight on the blind; the Lord sup - ports the faint - ing
 4 I'll praise him while he lends me breath; and when my voice is lost in



death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers. My
 sky and earth and seas with all their train; whose
 mind and sends the la - boring con - science peace. He
 death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers. My



days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and be - ing
 truth for ev - er stands se - cure, who saves the op - pressed, and feeds the
 helps the strang - er in dis - tress, the wid - owed and the fa - ther -
 days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and be - ing



last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.
 poor. And none shall find his prom - ise vain.
 less, and grants the pris - oner sweet re - lease.
 last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.

The Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your

good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house~ for I have five brothers~ that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel procession, the people are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner

After a period of silence, please stand for the Creed.

Amid theological disputes in the early church, Emperor Constantine called for an ecumenical council of bishops in 325AD between the churches in the East and West. Adopted at the Council of Nicea, the Nicene Creed is an elaborate statement of faith based on the older Apostles' Creed and officially established as church doctrine the dual nature of Christ as fully and equally human and divine. Further, this prayer speaks to the three Persons of The Trinity and clarifies the relationship between God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Nicene Creed

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form IV

Andy Gutknecht

- Leader* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.
Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; we pray for those who have been affected by or live in fear of gun violence, for our neighbors who do not have a place to sleep and those living in deep poverty that we may honor one another and serve the common good.
Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.
Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.
Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our prayer list; the Lewis family, Yueh-Hua, Sina, Alvaro, Rudy, Allen, Mary Anne, Noelle and the Lennox family, Diamond, Joseph, Kathy, Lara, Leone, Pedro, Maximilian, Nancy, Kristen, Becky, Peter, Laura, Nick, Wanda, Donna, and Donald. Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.
Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Having prayed for the Church, the world, and our loved ones, the *Confession and Absolution* serves as a transition from the Liturgy of the Word to the Liturgy of the Eucharist. As we prepare to receive the holy feast at Christ's table – where all people are equal and welcome – we first publically confess those things which separate us from God and our neighbor. The Presider assures us of God's mercy and lovingkindness and the *Peace* is shared amongst the whole assembly as an expression of our reconciliation between God and each other.

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Absolution

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

You are invited to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Please be sure that your neighbor is comfortable with any physical connections before offering that kind of peace. Following the Peace, the people are seated.

Parish Notices

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

Bob Chilcott

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;	Be Thou my Wisdom, be Thou my true Word;
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art	Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord;
Be Thou my best Thought, in the day or by night,	Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Both waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.	Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou, and Thou only, the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art;
O Sovereign of heaven, be Thou my Vision;
Be Thou my Vision, O Ruler of all.

At the invitation of the Celebrant, the People stand.

If the Gospel is the highpoint of the Liturgy of the Word, then the *Great Thanksgiving* is the highpoint of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The ancient greeting and invitation into thanksgiving, called the *Sursum Corda*, is sung between the Celebrant and the People which is followed by the Celebrant inviting us to join our voices with the angels and all of heaven in the singing of the *Sanctus*. The Celebrant continues with an elaborate and rich *Eucharistic Prayer* which recalls the history of salvation. Trinitarian in form, the prayer addresses the Father (creation), the Son (Jesus' saving acts and the Words of Institution), and the Holy Spirit. Here, the Celebrant stretches their hands over the bread and wine, invoking the Spirit to sanctify them, making them holy and sacred - the body and blood of Christ. This is called the *Epiclesis*.

The *Sanctus* (Latin for 'holy'), is the marriage of two scriptural verses: Isaiah's vision of heaven ("Holy, Holy, Holy Lord..." Isaiah 6:3) and the acclamation shouted by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem ("Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna!" Matthew 21:9). For some, it is customary to bow during the singing of the "Holy, Holy, Holy..." which follows Isaiah's description that all of heaven bowed before God as they sang this hymn, then standing upright, make the sign of the cross at the words "Blessed is he...", thus connecting Christ to Isaiah's vision.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The image shows two lines of musical notation for the Great Thanksgiving and Eucharistic Prayer A. The first line is for the Celebrant and the People. The Celebrant part is on the left, and the People part is on the right. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second line is also for the Celebrant and the People. The Celebrant part is on the left, and the People part is on the right. The lyrics are: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The musical notation includes a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb) for both parts. The notes are written on a five-line staff, and the lyrics are written below the notes.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-131

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei S-166



Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on
us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please be seated.

Throughout the pandemic, while we were unable to take communion, our community said this prayer by St. Alphonsus de Liguori (1696-1787), and continues to be said by those online or who do not wish to take communion today.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Distribution of Communion

Communion will be given in one kind only (bread) today. If you wish to receive communion, you are invited to come to one of the stations at the front of the church. We will bring communion to those unable to come to a standing station or those who are more comfortable staying in their pew. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know.

1 O ho - ly ci - ty, seen of John, where Christ, the Lamb, doth reign,
 2 O shame to us who rest con - tent while lust and greed for gain
 3 Give us, O God, the strength to build the ci - ty that hath stood
 4 Al - rea - dy in the mind of God that ci - ty ris - eth fair:

with - in whose four - square walls shall come no night, nor need, nor pain,
 in street and shop and ten - e - ment wring gold from hu - man pain,
 too long a dream, whose laws are love, whose crown is ser - vant - hood,
 lo, how its splen - dor chal - leng - es the souls that great - ly dare -

and where the tears are wiped from eyes that shall not weep a - gain!
 and bit - ter lips in blind de - spair cry, "Christ hath died in vain!"
 and where the sun that shin - eth is God's grace for hu - man good.
 yea, bids us seize the whole of life and build its glo - ry there.

Please stand as able.

While our service begins in gathering rituals, we end our service being sent back out into the world, refreshed, sustained, and with new purpose to live our Christian lives outside of the church walls. The *Post Communion Prayer* dates back to the 4th century, and was first included in the 1549 *Book of Common Prayer*. The Celebrant sends us off with a blessing in the name of the Trinity, and after a hymn, we are sent into the world with a dismissal, replying, "Thanks be to God!"

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

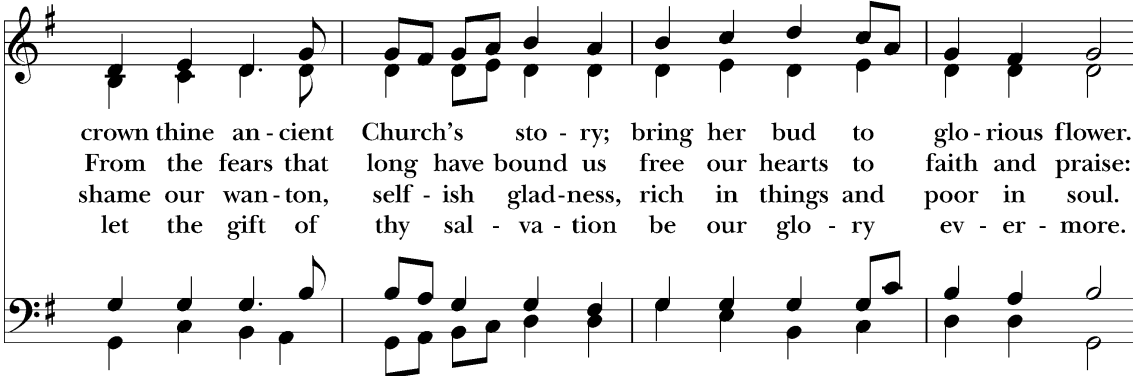
All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;



crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
 shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
 let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

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C H O R A L

Evensong

Eve of St. Michael & All Angels

Wednesday, September 28

6:00 PM

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